## Zion National Park Vegetation Map Class for Artemisia nova Dwarf-shrubland Complex

The map class "Artemisia nova Dwarf-shrubland Complex" is composed of the following vegetation associations, each described separately:

- Artemisia nova / Elymus elymoides Dwarf-shrubland
- Artemisia nova / Hesperostipa comata Dwarf-shrubland
- Artemisia nova / Poa fendleriana Dwarf-shrubland

This dwarf shrubland was common throughout the northern portion of the Park in natural woodland meadows and old agricultural pastures. The low stature of this shrub made this map class appear much like herbaceous types although its gray color helped greatly in distinguishing it from other map classes. Similar shrubs such as stunted mountain big sagebrush may have been mapped as this type in some isolated instances.